

FFY 03 Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) Innovative Grant Recipients Announced

In Federal Fiscal Year 03 Washington State was awarded \$374,951.00 to implement and expand Community Emergency Response Teams (CERT) in Washington State. The Citizen Corps Council set aside twenty percent (20%) of the local pass through award for Tribal and Innovative CERT programs.

Here are this year's recipients:

FFY 03 CERT Tribal Grant Recipients

- **Lummi Indian Business Council** to start a CERT program to better prepare their community.
- **Confederated Tribes of the Colville Indian Reservation** to begin a CERT program to better prepare their community in coordination with the Red Cross.
- **Homeland Security Region 2 participating Tribes** include: the Suquamish, Lower Elwah, Jamestown S'Klallam, Makah, and Quileute to begin to integrate emergency and community preparedness into Tribal daily living including CERT program training.

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- **Homeland Security Region 2** ~ Kitsap, Clallam and Jefferson Counties for the development of citizen volunteer exercise and training day(s) in 3 counties.
- **Homeland Security Region 4** ~ City of Vancouver to provide disaster response team preparedness boxes for 5 neighborhoods with at least 10 people CERT-trained and organized to be able to respond in the event of a disaster.
- **Homeland Security Region 6** ~ University of Washington for the development of university-based CERT training program
- **Homeland Security Region 9** ~ City of Spokane & Spokane County for the development of a CERT for Business and Industry program. This program will be focused on outreach to the community and increased business and industry emergency preparedness.

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